IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Konrad WISSENBACH et al.

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For: METHOD FOR SMOOTHING AND

POLISHING SURFACES BY TREATING THEM WITH

ENERGETIC RADIATION

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Preliminary Amendment

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants request entry of the following amendment prior to the examination of the aboveidentified application:

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